



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: NYA
ZIEMANN ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2171
Application No.: 10/802,606)
: Filed: March 17, 2004)
: For: PROCESSING OF TREE DATA)
STRUCTURES : July 20, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

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